



SOUTH TUCSON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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STRUCTURE FIRE **420 E. 28TH STREET**

The City of South Tucson Police Department, with the assistance of the Pima County Sheriff's Department, are investigating a fire that occurred Thursday morning (06/24/2021) at 420 E. 28th Street, a City of South Tucson Public Housing Complex.

On June 24, 2021, at approximately 2:00 a.m., the City of South Tucson Fire Department was dispatched to a report of a smoke alarm activation at 420 E. 28th St., the El Seniorial Public Housing Complex. Upon arrival, firefighters checked the fire panel and saw that the alarm activation was in one of the apartment units. South Tucson firefighters extinguished a small mattress fire in the unit, but another one ignited nearby in the same unit. Fire and smoke rapidly spread through the building causing firefighters and police personnel to concentrate on evacuating residents. The Tucson Fire Department responded to assist South Tucson Fire in battling the blaze. A total of 48 residents were evacuated. Sun Tran was contacted and assisted by providing two buses for the residents to stay cool in. The Red Cross responded to assist in finding shelter for the displaced residents. Investigation into the cause of the fire is ongoing.

Anyone with information about the fire and its origins can call 88-CRIME (520-882-7463). You can remain anonymous.